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Masahiko IIZUMU et al.	:	Patent Art Unit: 3724
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For: CUTTING TOOL AND ROUGHENED	:	
ARTICLES USING SURFACE	:	
ROUGHENING METHODS	:	

RESPONSE TO ELECTION / RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to November 14, 2008 Office Action, Applicants hereby elect *Invention I* (Claims 1-16) without traverse, as explained below.

Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-49 are pending, with claims 1, 17, 19 and 31 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.